



**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
BUILDING & CODE REGULATIONS DIVISION**

**Survey Requirements**

The Board of County Commissioner approved a code change that will require a copy of a current sealed survey when applying for a building permit for a primary structure or a building permit for an accessory structure with a value exceeding \$10,000. This became effective July 1, 1993.

The guidelines are as follows:

No Building Permit shall be issued for development unless a copy of a survey of the property on which the required activity is to be permitted accompanies the application for building permit. All surveys shall demonstrate compliance with the Filled Lands Affidavit signed by the Property Owners (refer to St. Lucie County Land Development Code, Section 7.04.01.D.3.) and completely depict the following:

1. The location of the proposed development activity.
2. The relationship of the activity under application to all adjacent property lines, and as may be required for the review of the application, all adjacent structures, improvements or natural features, including but not limited to the nearest building corners of all adjacent primary and accessory structures, pools and screened enclosures, fences, sheds, utility easements, wells, septic systems, driveways, culverts and any landscaping or existing vegetation located along the property lines.
3. A minimum of two (2) elevations along each roadway on which the proposed activity borders, the existing ground elevation at the approximate center of the proposed structure, the existing ground elevation along the side property lines adjacent to the proposed structure, and the proposed finished floor elevation of the structure under application and finished grades for any adjacent structures noted above in item 2. The proposed finished floor elevations must be consistent with the approved Health Department On-Site Sewage Disposal System Construction Permit if on-site sewage disposal is proposed.

All surveys submitted shall be prepared, signed and sealed by a Florida Registered Land Surveyor, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 61G17-6, FAC, except those applications for interior modifications or construction, roofing permits not involving any structural alteration or additions to the area covered by the roof surface, or any other permit required activity that does not result in the expansion of any portion of the existing structures shall not be required to submit a survey. Accessory structures with a building value of less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) shall not be required to submit a survey, but shall instead be required to submit a scaled plot plan indicating the location of the accessory structure and its compliance with minimum setback standards. Copies of original surveys meeting the above requirements may be submitted with any application for building permit, provided that the survey still depicts the accurate location of all structures and other improvements on the property.

**Per Florida Administrative Code Chapter 61G17-6.006, paragraph 8, additions or deletions to survey drawings by other than the signing party or parties is prohibited without written consent of the signing party or parties.**